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Upcoming Events

Thursday, January 9, 2020

6:00 p.m.: Wrestling at Redfield
Carnival of Silver Skates Costume Hand-outs, 4-8 p.m., St. John's Lutheran Church

Friday, January 10, 2020

Basketball double header hosting Hamlin (Girls junior varsity at 4 p.m., Boys junior varsity at 5 p.m., Girls varsity at 6:30 p.m., Boys varsity to follow)

Saturday, January 11, 2020

12:30 p.m.: Girls' Varsity Basketball Classic at Redfield. Groton Area vs. St. Francis Indian School

CANCELLED: Boys at Varsity Classic at the Sanford Pentagon

10 a.m.: Wrestling at Miller Tournament

Sunday, January 12, 2020

2:00pm- 6:00pm: Open Gym at GHS Arena
2:00-4:00 PM Grades JK-8 (Students must be accompanied by an adult) 4:00-6:00 PM Grades 6-12

Monday, January 13, 2020

6 p.m.: Junior high basketball games at Warner. 7th grade at 6 p.m., 8th grade at 7 p.m.

6 p.m.: Junior high wrestling tournament in Groton

7 p.m.: School Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

5:15 p.m: Combined 7th/8th grade boys basketball game vs. Aberdeen Christian at the Aberdeen Civic Arena

6:30 p.m.: Boys' basketball game at Aberdeen Christian High School. Junior varsity at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity game.

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.: MathCounts at Aberdeen Simmons Middle School

Thursday, January 16, 2020

6:30 p.m.: Girls' Basketball hosts Sisseton. JV game at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity game.

Friday, January 17, 2020

Silver Bowl Debate at Sioux Falls

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6 p.m.: Boys' basketball at Sisseton. JV game at 6 p.m. followed by varsity game.

Saturday, January 18, 2020

Silver Bowl Debate in Sioux Falls

10:00am: Basketball: Boys 7th/8th Jamboree @ Groton Area High School

10:00am: Wrestling: Varsity Tournament at Potter County (Gettysburg)

Sunday, January 19, 2020

2:00pm- 6:00pm: Open Gym at GHS Arena

2:00-4:00 PM Grades JK-8 (Students must be accompanied by an adult) 4:00-6:00 PM Grades 6-12

Monday, January 20, 2020

6:30pm: GBB hosts Langford Area. JV at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity.

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Double Header Basketball: Ipswich at Groton Area. Girls JV at 4 p.m., Boys JV at 5 p.m., Girls Varsity at 6 p.m. followed by Boys Varsity.

4:00pm: Wrestling: Boys 7th/8th Tournament vs. Aberdeen Central @ Aberdeen Civic Arena

7 p.m.: City Council Meeting at Groton Community Center

Thursday, January 23, 2020

Boys' Basketball at Aberdeen Roncalli. 7th/8th grade game at 3 p.m., junior varsity game at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity game.

5:00 p.m.: Wrestling Quad at Clark

Friday, January 24, 2020

Speech Fiesta Debate at Watertown

Saturday, January 25, 2020

Speech Fiesta Debate at Watertown

Robotics at GHS Gymnasium

10:00am: Wrestling: Varsity Tournament at Arlington High School

Sunday, January 26, 2020

2:00pm- 6:00pm: Open Gym at GHS Arena

2:00-4:00 PM Grades JK-8 (Students must be accompanied by an adult) 4:00-6:00 PM Grades 6-12
Carnival of Silver Skates (2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.)



Shaylee Peterson and Alexis Hanten

Peterson, Hanten place at State Snow Queen

The State Snow Queen Contest was held Saturday in Aberdeen. The Junior Snow Queen division was held with Shaylee Peterson bringing home the third runner-up award for Miss Groton. She is the daughter of Ben and Kristi Peterson. In the senior talent show, Alexis Hanten took second place. She is the daughter of Sarah and Cody Hanten.

The Senior Snow Queen Contest will be held on Saturday where Ashley Flihs will be competing for Miss Groton. (Photo from Kristi Peterson's Facebook Page)



Dragr Monson was chosen as the Most Valuable Wrestler at the Webster Area Wrestling Tournament held Saturday.

(Photo from Wendy Monson's Facebook Page)

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Brown County Nerland Rezoning Notice

NOTICE
 Application has been made by Debbie Nerland to the Brown County Board of Commissioners for a change of zoning. Hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota on January 21, 2020 at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG):
 Lots 1&2, "Marzenell Subdivision" in the SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 25-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota
 The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Second Revision Brown County Ordinances pertaining to rezoning the described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 154.
 ATTEST:
 Cathy McNickle, Brown County Auditor
 (0108.0115)
 Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$22.92. 18502

Brown County Reder Rezoning Notice

NOTICE
 Application has been made by David Reder to the Brown County Board of Commissioners for a change of zoning. Hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota on January 21, 2020 at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG):
 Lots 1&2 "1st Subdivision Larson Outlot 1: in the SW1/4 of Section 24-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota
 The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Second Revision Brown County Ordinances pertaining to rezoning the described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 155.
 ATTEST:
 Cathy McNickle, Brown County Auditor
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Monson takes first at Webster Tournament

Three Groton Area grapplers placed at the Webster Wrestling Tournament held Saturday. Dragr Monson placed first at 113 pounds, while taking third were Lane Krueger at 182 pounds and Adrian Knutson at 285 pounds.

Team Scores: Chamberlain 236, Clark/Willow Lake 102, Deslacs-Burlington 88, Sioux Valley 82.5, Miller/Highmore/Harold 77, Sisseton 75, Central Cass 73.5, Webster Area 71.0, Mobridge/Pollock 68.5, Groton Area 68, Hamlin/Castlewood 26, Britton-Hecla 22, Deuel 5.

106: Porter Johnson (3-2)

Champ. Round 1 - Teagan Herrick (Miller/Highmore/Harold) 18-8 won by fall over Porter Johnson (Groton Area) 3-2 (Fall 5:07)

Cons. Round 1 - Rylan Yonker (Hamlin/Castlewood) 1-2 won by decision over Porter Johnson (Groton Area) 3-2 (Dec 5-2)

106: Christian Ehresmann (4-3) scored 4.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Christian Ehresmann (Groton Area) 4-3 won by fall over Riley Steen (Sisseton) 1-9 (Fall 2:21)

Quarterfinal - Cade Olson-Tingelstad (Central Cass) 4-1 won by fall over Christian Ehresmann (Groton Area) 4-3 (Fall 5:53)

Cons. Round 2 - Wyatt Wientjes (Mobridge/Pollock) 4-7 won by fall over Christian Ehresmann (Groton Area) 4-3 (Fall 2:59)

113: Dragr Monson (10-4) placed 1st and scored 24.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 10-4 received a bye () (Bye)

Quarterfinal - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 10-4 won by fall over Riley Jutting (Hamlin/Castlewood) 5-9 (Fall 1:28)

Semifinal - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 10-4

won by fall over Josiah Crandall (Central Cass) 3-2 (Fall 1:40)

1st Place Match - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 10-4 won by decision over Cael Larson (Webster Area) 3-1 (Dec 4-3)

120: Brevin Flihs (0-2)

Champ. Round 1 - Brevin Flihs (Groton Area) 0-2 received a bye () (Bye)

Quarterfinal - Remmington Ford (Mobridge/Pollock) 3-8 won by fall over Brevin Flihs (Groton Area) 0-2 (Fall 0:44)

Cons. Round 2 - Brevin Flihs (Groton Area) 0-2 received a bye () (Bye)

Cons. Round 3 - Colby Kolda (Miller/Highmore/Harold) 5-7 won by fall over Brevin Flihs (Groton Area) 0-2 (Fall 4:14)

152: Cole Bisbee (0-5)

Quarterfinal - Walter Winkler (Deslacs-Burlington) 17-2 won by fall over Cole Bisbee (Groton Area) 0-5 (Fall 0:42)

Cons. Round 1 - Swade Reis (Chamberlain) 2-11 won by fall over Cole Bisbee (Groton Area) 0-5 (Fall 1:57)

160: Thomas Cranford (8-6) scored 8.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 8-6 won by fall over Dawson Doyscher (Sioux Valley) 3-4 (Fall 5:22)

Quarterfinal - Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 8-6 won by fall over Weston Wahus (Deslacs-Burlington) 13-11 (Fall 5:05)

Semifinal - Gage Burke (Clark/Willow Lake) 13-0 won by fall over Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 8-6 (Fall 1:23)

Cons. Semi - Joe Hornick (Sioux Valley) 13-13 won by decision over Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 8-6 (Dec 6-2)

182: Lane Krueger (9-5) placed 3rd and scored 16.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 9-5 won by fall over Anthony Houle (Central Cass) 1-2 (Fall 1:44)

Semifinal - Lev Nedelco (Sioux Valley) 7-10 won by fall over Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 9-5 (Fall 5:30)

Cons. Semi - Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 9-5 won by fall over Jesse Bears Heart (Mobridge/Pollock) 1-4 (Fall 3:59)

3rd Place Match - Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 9-5 won by fall over Wyatt Powers (Chamberlain) 5-8 (Fall 2:41)

195: Grady O`Neill (5-7)

Quarterfinal - Grady O`Neill (Groton Area) 5-7 received a bye () (Bye)

Semifinal - Evan Schade (Sioux Valley) 8-10 won by disqualification over Grady O`Neill (Groton Area) 5-7 (DQ)

Cons. Semi - Joshua Norder (Mobridge/Pollock) 9-6 won by major decision over Grady O`Neill (Groton Area) 5-7 (MD 13-4)

285: Adrian Knutson (9-7) placed 3rd and scored 16.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 9-7 won by fall over Ethan Skarnagel (Sisseton) 2-8 (Fall 2:55)

Semifinal - Jordan Robbins (Deslacs-Burlington) 10-9 won by decision over Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 9-7 (Dec 9-5)

Cons. Semi - Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 9-7 won by fall over James Mickey (Hamlin/Castlewood) 3-9 (Fall 0:30)

3rd Place Match - Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 9-7 won by fall over Ethan Skarnagel (Sisseton) 2-8 (Fall 1:49)

DeHoet has double-double in Groton Area's win over Britton-Hecla

Groton Area went to 3-0 on the season with a 51-44 Northeast Conference win over Britton-Hecla. The boys' basketball game was played Friday in Britton and was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by the Aberdeen Chrysler Center.

Groton Area took a 4-0 lead to start out the game. Britton-Hecla's Cole Fosness scored the first 14 points for Britton-Hecla and helped the Braves in the game. The game was tied five times and the lead changed hands four times. It was an eight-point rally by Groton Area at the end of the second quarter and the first part of the third quarter that gave the Tigers the upper hand. Groton Area led, 14-12, after the first quarter and 21-19 at half time. The Tigers took a 36-29 lead at the end of the third quarter. Groton Area opened up an 11-point lead late in the game at 47-36, but Britton-Hecla's Fosness and Aidan Fredrickson canned a pair of three-pointers and Groton Area's lead was reduced to five, 49-44, with 45 seconds left in the game, but the Tigers went on to win by seven.



Isaac Smith passed the ball off to a teammate. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Free throws played a big part of the Groton Area win as the Tigers were 14 of 19 from the line for 74 percent off of Britton-Hecla's 21 team fouls. Britton-Hecla made 55 percent of its free throws, making 11 of 20 off of Groton Area's 19 team fouls. Three players fouled out: Jonathan Doeden of Groton Area and Cole Fosness and Stanley Haskins Jr. for Britton-Hecla.

Kaden Kurtz led the Tigers with 18 points, two rebounds and one steal. Brodyn DeHoet had a double-double on the night with 15 points and 10 rebounds, in addition to three steal steals. Jonathan Doeden had 15 points, two rebounds, two assists and one steal. Austin Jones had four points, five rebounds and one assist. Cade Guthmiller had two points, two assists and one blocked shot. Isaac Smith had three rebounds, one assist and one steal. Tristan Traphagen had one rebound and one steal. Jayden Zak had one rebound and two assists.

Britton-Hecla was led in scoring by Cole Fosness with 25 points followed by Nick Nelson with 10, Stanley Haskins Jr. had four points and Aidan Fredrickson added three points.

Groton Area had nine turnovers, five of which were steals. Britton-Hecla had 11 turnovers, seven of which were steals. Britton-Hecla controlled the boards, 31-23.

The Tigers were 14 of 25 in two-pointers for 56 percent and was three of 16 in three-pointers for 19 percent. Britton-Hecla was 12 of 25 in two-pointers for 48 percent and was three of 12 in three-pointers for 25 percent.

Groton Area led at the quarter stops at 15-9, 24-12 and 35-20 en route to a 46-23 junior varsity game win. Isaac Smith led the Tigers with 13 points followed by Lane Tietz with eight, Chandler Larson and Tristen Traphagen each had six points, Jordan Bjerke had five, Jayden Zak four and Wyatt Hearnen and Jackson Cogley each had two points. Aiden Fredrickson led the Braves with six points.

Groton Area will host Webster Area on Monday with a C game at 5:15 p.m. followed by the junior varsity game and then the varsity game.



Jonathan Doeden shoots over Britton-Hecla's Andrew James. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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Thaler leads Tigers with 15 points in win over Britton-Hecla

The Groton Area girls' basketball team had a nine-point run in the first half and continued to pull away for a 42-22 Northeast Conference win over Britton-Hecla.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Allied Climate Professionals, Blocker Construction, Groton Dairy Queen, Jark Real Estate, John Sieh Agency, Milbrandt Enterprises, Tyson DeHoet Trucking.

The game was tied twice early on before the Tigers took a 10-5 lead at the end of the first quarter and a 22-9 lead at half time. Groton Area led, 35-14, at the end of the third quarter.

Alyssa Thaler led the Tigers with 15 points, three rebounds, one assist and led the team in steals with five. Gracie Traphagen had nine points, 10 rebounds, two assists, one steal and block. Brooke Gengerke scored all nine of her points in the second half, was five of six from the line, had three assists and four steals. Kaycie Hawkins had six points, two rebounds, one assist and two steals. Madeline Flihs had two points, two rebounds and three steals. Allyssa Locke had one free throw, four rebounds, three assists and one steal. Trista Keith had five rebounds, one assist and two steals. Shallyn Foertsch had one rebound and one steal and Aspen Johnson had one steal.

Groton Area made 15 of 55 field goals for 27 percent, was 10 of 16 from the line for 63 percent off of Britton-Hecla's 13 team fouls, had 34 rebounds, 11 assists and one block. Groton Area had 21 turnovers. Britton-Hecla had 27 turnovers, 19 of which were steals.

Britton-Hecla was nine of 44 in shooting for 20 percent and was three of nine from the line for 33 percent off of Groton Area's 11 team fouls.

Groton Area is now 2-2 on the season and will host Aberdeen Roncalli on Tuesday. Britton-Hecla falls to 0-5 on the season. Both the junior varsity and varsity games will be broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM.

The Braves were led by Sterling Brassfield, Emma Storley and Jayden Bender with six points apiece while Jenna Werner and Alyssa James each had two points.

There was no junior varsity game.



Brooke Gengerke dribbles past Britton-Hecla's Sterling Brassfield. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Kaycie Hawkins looks for an open player to pass off the ball.

- Paul Kosel (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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Doris Dennert was honored as a "Member to Remember" in our ALA Legionette publication in January. We knew in advance about the award and gave Doris a plaque at our December meeting by Cara Dennert. (Courtesy Photo)

News from the Columbia Legion Auxiliary

A Member to Remember



Auxiliary Unit - Roy L. Hall Post #58 from Columbia nominated Doris Dennert as "A Member to Remember."
 Doris has been a member of the Legion Auxiliary for 38 years - joining in 1981! She is a strong member of the ALA organization - always at every event willing to do her part! She is a very involved member of the community - in her church as well as helping with the organization - The Orphan Grain Train. Through this service, the unit is inspired to do more! She is present at every event in our community - whether it is a funeral, fundraiser, or holiday party for area children - always providing a wonderful pan of bars. She is an integral part of our Auxiliary unit. We would be lost without her!

This was the article in the January issue of The South Dakota Legionette.

Caitlynn Barse and Kayla Jensen were present at the Columbia Legion Auxiliary's December meeting - they gave us a review of their time at Girls' State last spring. (Courtesy Photo)



Five hit double figures in Groton's win over Webster



Jonathan Doeden is quick to make a basket from underneath. He finished the night with 11 points.. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

It was an explosive offensive game for the Groton Area Tigers as they posted a 77-50 Northeast Conference win over Webster Area. The game was played Monday in Groton and broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Allied Climate Professionals, Blocker Construction, Groton Dairy Queen, Jark Real Estate, John Sieh Agency, Milbrandt Enterprises and Tyson DeHoet Trucking.

Groton Area is now 4-0 on the season and will host Hamlin on Friday in a double header. Webster Area is now 2-3. This game was Groton Area's highest scoring game of the season so far and it was Webster Area's lowest scoring game.

The Groton Area boy's game scheduled for Saturday at the Pentagon will not be held. There was a mix-up in the scheduling. Coach Brian Dolan said they are looking for an additional team

play sometime during the season to make up for the lost game.

Groton Area jumped out to a 15-0 lead and it was with 3:05 left in the first quarter before Webster scored its first point on a free throw. The Tigers led, 20-5, at the end of the first quarter. The Tigers made eight of 16 field goals for 50 percent while Webster Area was two of 11 for 18 percent. Webster Area had 10 turnovers in the first quarter while Groton Area had four.

The Bearcats clawed their way back into the game as the Tiger lead was reduced to 10 at half time, 32-22. In the second quarter, Groton Area made three of 12 field goals for 25 percent while Webster Area warmed up to 47 percent, making seven of 15 shots.

Webster Area scored first in the third quarter and cut Groton Area's lead to eight, 32-24, but the Tigers would then score 13 unanswered points and went on to a 59-33 lead at the end of the third quarter. Cade

Guthmiller made two three three-pointers and scored all 10 of his points in the third quarter as the Tigers shot 11 of 17 from the field for 64 percent while Webster Area was four of 16 for 25 percent.

Groton Area made eight of 13 free throws in the fourth quarter and was five of nine in field goals for 55 percent. Webster Area made seven of 16 shots in the fourth quarter for 44 percent.

For the game, Groton Area made 22 of 34 two-pointers for 65 percent and five of 18 three-pointers for 28 percent. Webster Area was 20 of 58 in shooting for 34 percent.

Five players hit double figures for the Tigers with Brodyn DeHoet leading the way with 21 points followed by Kaden Kurtz with 12, Jonathan Doeden had 11, Cade Guthmiller and Tristan Traphagen each had 10, Jayden Zak had nine, Isaac Smith three and Chandler Larson added one free throw.

Webster Area had the edge in rebounds, 28-25, with Austin Jones having seven rebounds for Groton Area and Jake Case had five for Webster Area.

Groton Area had 11 turnovers, seven of which were steals. Webster Area had 33 turnovers, 12 of which were steals with Kurtz having three. Guthmiller had three blocked shots and Doeden had one. Kurtz had five of the team's 15 assists.

Groton Area made 18 of 28 free throws for 64 percent off of Webster Area's 20 team fouls. Webster Area was six of seven from the line off of Groton Area's 13 team fouls.

Groton Area made it a clean sweep, winning the junior varsity game, 39-21, and the C game, 51-18.

JV Game Scoring: Lane Tietz 18 (4 three-pointers), Tristan Traphagen 6, Jayden Zak 4, Lucas Simon 4, Isaac Smith 2, Jordan Bjerke 2, Cole Simon 2, Wyatt Hearnen 1.

C Game Scoring: Cole Simon 10, Jackson Bahr 9, Cade Larson 8, Jackson Cogley 8, Tate Larson 7, Wyatt Hearnen 5, Jordan Bjerke 2, Jacob Zak 2.



Cade Guthmiller made two 3-pointers in the third quarter and led the team in blocks with three. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

- Paul Kosel

Brown County Gray Rezoning Approved

ORDINANCE #153
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, as amended, to rezone the following described property filed by Roger Gray is hereby granted and Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.10 Lake Front Residential District (R-3), said property described as follows:

Lot 2C of Lot 2, "Schaeffer Richmond Lake Subdivision" in the NW 1/4 of Section 25-T124N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for Brown County to reflect this Ordinance.

Notice of Hearing: December 4 and 11, 2019

Passed First Reading: December 17, 2019

Passed Second Reading: December 24, 2019

Adopted: December 24, 2019
Published: January 8, 2020
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Doug Fjeldheim, Chair
Brown County Commission
ATTEST:

Cathy McNickle, Brown County Auditor
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$18.94. 18499

Groton City Babcock Special Exception

NOTICE OF SPECIAL EXCEPTION HEARING

The Groton Planning & Zoning Commission will be holding a public hearing on January 27, 2020 at 6:00pm CDT at City Hall, 209 N Main St., Groton, SD for a special exception of Title 6, Section 6.0106 of the

Groton Zoning Ordinance. This application was made by Bruce and Karyn Babcock for the commercial operation of a bed and breakfast/small event center in a Residential 1 Zone at 508 N 3rd St., Groton, SD, legally described as First Addition, Block 22, Lots 1-2 and N 40' Lot 3.

Any person wishing to present testimony for or against this special exception may appear in person or by representative at the above time and place.

Hope Block
Zoning Administrator
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$7.84. 18513.

Brown County Granary Transfer

NOTICE OF HEARING GRANARY TRANSFER

A public hearing will be held by the Brown County Commission on the 21st day of January, 2020 beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the Brown County Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Aberdeen, SD to consider resolution transferring ownership of the Granary. The following parcel is to be gifted from Brown County to the Dacotah Prairie Museum Foundation.

Sieh's Outlot 1 in the North half of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 29, Township 124 North, Range 61 West, Brown County, South Dakota, subject to easements, reservations and restriction of record, if any.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the land transfer. If unable to attend the public hearing, persons wishing to submit written comments regarding the land transfer, should do so by submitting comments to the County Auditor no later than 5:00 PM on January 20, 2020, at 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, SD 57401.

ATTEST:
Cathy McNickle, Brown County Auditor
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Brown County Berbos Rezoning Approved

ORDINANCE #152
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BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, as amended, to rezone the following described property filed by Nick Berbos is hereby granted and Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG), said property described as follows:

Lot 1 "Bebos Subdivision" in the S1/2 of the SW1/4 of Section 35-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for Brown County to reflect this Ordinance.

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ATTEST:

Cathy McNickle, Brown County Auditor
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The Life of Steve Lynn Sundberg

Steve Lynn Sundberg, 61, of Bismarck, passed away January 4, 2020.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, January 10, 2020 at Weigel Funeral Home, Mandan, ND.

Steve was born June 9, 1958 to Edwin and Ardis (Paulson) Sundberg in Groton, SD where he was raised and educated. He attended the University of South Dakota and received his MBA degree.

On June 2, 1984 he married Carol Laine in Kintyre, ND.

Steve began his sales career at NCR Corporation in Sioux Falls, Fargo, and Bismarck. Then he worked as a financial advisor at Shearson Lehman Hutton in Bismarck. He returned to sales and worked at Rough Rider Industries in Bismarck. In 1993, he was hired as general manager at Sign Pro in Mandan, he became part owner with Terry Fleck & Larry Schmidt in 1994, then became co-owner with wife Carol, in 1995.

Steve had many hobbies including fishing, hunting, and riding motorcycle. He especially enjoyed watching his favorite football teams, the NDSU Bison and the Philadelphia Eagles.

Steve is survived by his ex-wife, friend, & business partner, Carol, Mandan ND; niece, Kirsten (Warren) Laird, and their daughters Sarah & Kensey, Thornton CO; nephew, Joshua Sundberg, Westminster CO; Carol's sister, Deborah (Bob) Weir, and their sons, Kaleb & Garret; Carol's sister, Karla Kuipers, and her daughters, Kristen & Lynde; Carol's brother, Steven (Pam) Laine, and their sons Eric, Bryce, Adam, daughter Kylee; and Carol's nephew, Dustin Laine.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ed & Ardis Sundberg; brother, Paul Sundberg; sister-in-law, Darleen Sundberg; father-in-law, Carlo Laine; mother-in-law, Audrey Laine; brother-in-law, Richard Laine; brother-in-law, Dale Kuipers.

Go to www.weigelfuneral.com to sign the guestbook and share memories with his family.

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Human Sexuality Uncovered

I believe that honesty is almost always the best policy. However, there are some topics people don't want to talk about. The whys, how's, dangers and wonders about sexuality is a topic that is still covered up today, but these issues were much more suppressed years ago. Growing up in the '50s and '60s in a small prairie town, I was immersed in conservative values. Cover up was the operating agreement for our farming community at that time.

To discuss, in mixed company, methods to satisfy a partner sexually or to openly talk about lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ) issues would have been disturbing at that time. This is not to say that kids didn't wonder, in private, about their sexuality, or that they did not experiment with sexual activity, but the cover up and almost denial of human sexuality was as much of the culture as was going to Sunday school.

One can say that our civilization is more open now and I believe this honesty is helpful in many ways. For example, in recent years, LGBTQ individuals have been making their way out of the closet. Thanks to more openness, misinformed myths have been debunked by studies showing that sexual orientation has nothing to do with harming children, being a poor parent, or abusing another. Unfortunately, unethical behavior and abuse can be found in every corner of our society regardless of sexual orientation...straight, gay and everywhere in between. Openness enhances understanding, while suppression and cover up can demonize good people and even serve to protect those who abuse others.

Sexual function is necessary for our species to survive but it can be much more than that. Treating each other with kindness brings mutual respect. Treating each other with honesty brings trust. Treating each other with reverence for the other person's right to choose brings the liberty to truly love in return. That said, sexual relationships can be complicated. Sometimes hurtful activity can be unintended and may result when one party is not observant or considerate of the other person's feelings. Conversely, it is also a form of cover up when one party fails to communicate his or her hurt feelings, thus allowing the harm to persist. Certainly, learning to change in order to accommodate our partners, along with large doses of forgiveness and open communication, can help make relationships work.



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vance Stores Company \$149.60; Ameripride Services Inc \$74.28; Behnke Pit \$20,579.90; Bonnie Bitz \$96.00; Crawford Trucks & Equipment \$74.60; Dakota Fluid Power \$109.71; Dakota Supply Group \$3,275.33; DSS Image Apparel \$175.00; Fastenal Co \$33.16; GovConnection Inc \$3,756.43; J Gross Equipment \$1,365.85; Labsource Inc \$576.00; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC \$65.55; Lucy Lewno \$13.00; Midstates Printing \$128.00; Smiths Detection Inc \$4,145.00; Woodman Refrigeration Inc \$5,173.00. Travel & Conference: Patrick Keatts \$56.85; Rachel Kippley \$153.69; Mark Milbrandt \$420.00. Utilities: AT&T Mobility \$177.81; Qwest Corporation \$68.58; Economy Propane \$242.55; Montana Dakota Utilities \$39.16; Northwestern Energy & Communication \$1,958.58. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

TAX DEED PROPERTY:
Moved by Kippley, seconded by Feickert to authorize Patty VanMeter, County Treasurer, to submit all qualifying parcels to the States Attorney for completion of the tax deed process. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

E911 ADDRESSING:
Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to authorize chair draft letter to the City of Aberdeen clarifying addressing responsibilities in a formal boundary as described in Brown County ordinance 4.33 rural addressing. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EDWARDS PRESERVE:
Moved by Sutton to acknowledge the gift of 64.3 acres of Richmond Lake Property for public use related to the land swap resolution R 64-19. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HR REPORT:
Moved by Feickert, seconded by Kippley to approve the following HR Office Report:

Approve hiring Jessica Geditz, full-time Brown County Jail effective December 16, 2019, at \$16.40 per hour. Approve hiring Tyler Nelson, full-time Brown County Jail effective January 6, 2020, at \$16.40 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 154 - SET HEARING DATE:

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton, to set the hearing for ordinance 154. Application has been made by Debbie Nerland to the Brown County Board of Commissioners for a change of zoning. Hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota on January 21, 2020, at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG): Lots 1&2, "Marzenell Subdivision" in the SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 25-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 155 - SET HEARING DATE:

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CONTINGENCY TRANSFERS:
Moved by Sutton, seconded by Feickert to approve the following Contingency Transfers: increase spending authority (no cash): Fund #101-5-1-xxx.422.99; 154 A&N @ \$1416.71; 170 GIS @ \$203.41; 421 County Nurse @ \$223.0; Fund #504.322 Solid Waste @ \$57,647.72; reduce spending authority (no cash) 101-112.422 @ \$59,490.84. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

GRANT CASH TRANSFER:
Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to authorize a transfer of funds from the general fund to emergency management for HLS Grant radio purchase in the amount of \$28,428.70. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

INCREASE SPENDING AUTHORITY/ESTIMATED REVENUE:
Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to increase spending authority and estimated revenue in the following funds for unanticipated reimbursement for expenditures: Fund #101-4.331.97 @ \$40839.53, #101-5.152.xxx 411 @ \$33,381.70; 426 \$3,054.36; 427 \$2,730.41 (Total 39,166.47) (SWAWA). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

MODIFICATION OF ATTORNEY CONTRACT:
Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the reinstatement of Ryan Dell effective January 1, 2020. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE:
Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve the following lease agreement: Target Stores for the lease of panel trailer, November 29, 2019, through December 2, 2019, at the cost of

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-0- Brown County Dec. 31, 2019 Meeting Minutes
December 31, 2019 - GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Fjeldheim at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Feickert, Kippley, Sutton, and Wiese. Commissioner Feickert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:
Moved by Wiese seconded by Feickert to approve the General County Commission meeting minutes of December 24, 2019. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:
Moved by Sutton seconded by Kippley to approve the following claims:

Machinery & Equipment: Aberdeen Auto Center \$36,999.00. Professional Fees: B&B Contracting Inc \$1,000.00; Cogley Law Office \$7,142.84; Kerri Cook-Huber \$100.00; Dohrer Law Office \$7,142.84; Christopher A. Haar \$7,142.86; Mark Katterhagen \$30.00; Kuck Law Office \$7,142.84; Lucy Lewno \$220.00; Darcy Lockwood \$30.00; Jerald M. McNeary \$7,142.84; Christy Griffin Serr Law Office \$9,256.61; Taliaferro Law Firm \$7,142.84; Yankton County Sheriff Office \$100.00. Publishing: Dakota Press Inc \$3,095.41; Groton Independent \$460.16. Repairs & Maintenance: Dakota Pump & Control \$450.00; Graham Tire Inc \$677.80; House of Glass \$3,462.92; J Gross Equipment \$735.00; Kone Inc \$1,627.70; North Central Steel System \$4,126.54; Pumps Tire Service Inc \$665.00; Woodmen Mallet \$3,420.00. Supplies: Praxair Distribution \$29.35; Ad-

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